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**ABSTRACT**

Controlling network services using palm sized computers is described. A program on the palm sized computer is used to access a registry of network services that may be available. The registry includes descriptions for various services. Each description includes at least a reference to program code that can be downloaded to the palm sized computer. Executing this  
10 , program causes the palm sized computer to issue commands directly to the specific network services needed. In some cases, these network services include application services for running desktop applications that the palm sized computer could not execute.